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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Appln. of: Satoru Adachi et al.

Appln. No.: 10/680,205

Filed: October 8, 2003

For: IMAGE ENCODING METHOD, IMAGE  
DECODING METHOD, IMAGE ENCODING  
APPARATUS, IMAGE DECODING  
APPARATUS, IMAGE ENCODING PROGRAM,  
AND IMAGE DECODING PROGRAM

Examiner: Patel, Jayesh A.

Art Unit: 2624

Conf. No.: 7459

Attorney Docket No.: 9683/261

**TRANSMITTAL**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**Attached is/are:**

- ☒ Transmittal; Amendment in reply to the Office Action mailed December 19, 2008 (8 pages); and Petition and Fee for Extension of Time.

**Fee calculation:**

- ☐ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ Small Entity.
- ☒ An extension fee in an amount of \$1110 for a 3-month extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a).
- ☐ A petition or processing fee in an amount of \$        under 37 CFR § 1.17(        ).
- ☒ An additional filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

					Small Entity			Not a Small Entity	
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Add'l Fee	OR	Rate	Add'l Fee
Total	3	Minus	22	0	x \$26=			x \$52=	0
Indep.	3	Minus	8	0	x 110=			x \$220=	0
First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim					+\$195=			+\$390=	0
					Total	\$		Total	\$0

**Fee payment:**

- ☒ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 in the amount of \$1,110.00 for 3-month extension of time.
- ☐ Payment by credit card in the amount of \$        (Form PTO-2038 is attached).
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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May 29, 2009  
Date